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### **Ring in Spring with Music + Art on Rhode Island Avenue NE Main Street Porches!**

March 23, 2018, WASHINGTON, D.C. - RHODE ISLAND AVENUE NE MAIN STREET'S 4th ANNUAL PORCH FEST is taking place **April 14, 2018 from 2-6pm along Rhode Island Avenue NE Washington, DC**. Eight porches - a mix of residential and commercial properties - will become stages for an afternoon of FREE mini concerts, bringing together neighbors, business owners, and artists in a casual and fun display of creative expression! FREE Zipcar Shuttle vans will also be available along the route - hop on, hop off, enjoy it all.

Performers range from some of last year's favorites such as Eli Lev + The Fortunes Found, to newcomers of the Festival including Atoms Apart, Smooth Gruv, and Culture Shock DC's youth dance companies, Mini Shock, Mighty Shock, and Eagles United. Additional stops along the Festival route include the Eat & Smile Catering + DC Brau Porch Fest Popup (beer + bites!) and the Art Enables 2nd Saturday Workshop + Live Sketching Session courtesy of D.C.Creepers. Last year's event brought a record-number of attendees from all across the DMV; this is a fantastic opportunity to get out and experience Ward 5 and all that it has to offer.

Porches include neighborhood homes as well as businesses such as Petit Scholars and The Public Option. Porch Fest is made possible with the support of Rhode Island Ave NE Main Street, Department of Small and Local Business Development, Cultural Tourism DC, DC Water, Zipcar, Zeke's Coffee, Adams Investment Group, The Public Option, Petit Scholars, The Menkiti Group, and DC Brau.

This event is FREE, open to the public, and for all ages. This is a RAIN or SHINE event.

### **INFORMATION & CALENDAR LISTING**

#### **RIAMS Porch Fest 2018**

Saturday, April 14 | 2-6pm

FREE | #RIAPorchFest

Multiple Locations along RIA Main Street

Mobile app w/ map available: Search the app store for 'RIA NE Main Street'

Advanced Registration: [riamsporchfest2018.eventbrite.com](http://riamsporchfest2018.eventbrite.com)

Facebook event: [bit.ly/riaporchfest2018](http://bit.ly/riaporchfest2018)

Get social with us! @RIAMainStreet

Website: [riamainstreet.org/porch-fest](http://riamainstreet.org/porch-fest)

The 2018 RIAMS schedule of events also includes; *Fall Fest* October 6, and the *Procrastinator's Holiday Market* December 15. All event details can be found at [riamainstreet.org](http://riamainstreet.org).

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